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Commissioner
The Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Subject: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service -- Docket 96-45

Dear Commissioner:

Congratulations on your appointment to Chair the FCC.

In your new leadership role, I urge you to support the "Fair Share Plan" as a solution to current concerns with the Universal Service Fund (USF). The Fair Share Plan will keep the USF fair, ensuring that consumers like me do not pay the same rate into the USF as big businesses, regardless of how little I may use long distance.

I urge you to adopt the Fair Share Plan. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Barbara Blandford Helm

cc: Marlene Dortch, Secretary

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